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1. Dr. Kwame Nkrumah comes to Tamale today 12 Apr 54 to organize his party's campaign Convention People's Party for the forthcoming elections June 1954. There are to be 104 seats in the new Legislative Assembly. CPF to get at least 85 of these.
2. There is a new party called the Northern Peoples Party, just formed. Northern chiefs are the principal leaders in it, and it is a last effort to retain some sort of power. They will win a few seats (maybe six or eight), but they will not be able to do anything constructive. It is a dying man's effort to stay alive.
3. A Muslim Party has been formed. They may win a seat or two. It is a shame that a new country should divide on religious grounds.

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